IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re: Application No. 10/549,873) Confirmation No. 7000
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Title:	LOW PROFILE SPINAL FIXATION SYSTEM	
Art Unit:	3733)
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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time, up to and including August 23, 2010, to make this reply timely.

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2010, and is divided into the following sections:

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